

Our Vision is to Enable the Blind and Visually Impaired to See without Sight.

### POINTS OF PRIDE

- 95 years serving as Florida's premier private institution for the blind and visually impaired
- Has earned 14 consecutive 4-star ratings, the highest rating possible from Charity Navigator
- Serving more than 28,000 program participants annually, 54 times as many as 2004 when CEO Virginia Jacko came on board
- Year-round programs for blind babies and schoolchildren, including pre-K through third grade in in our Miami Lighthouse Academy emphasizing Braille and technology literacy for academic success
- Comprehensive eye exams and prescription glasses at no cost to eligible schoolchildren statewide, more than 225,000 exams since 1992
- Exams and vision enhancement strategies for seniors with agerelated vision loss and vision aids to help maintain independence
- Modern 155,000 square-foot campus with professional computer and technology laboratories, training kitchens, arts and crafts studio and beautiful tactile gardens
- Nationally acclaimed music production program leads students to mainstream employment in a competitive industry and produced bilingual audio book which was a finalist for a Latin Grammy<sup>®</sup> Award
- Developed the first comprehensive blind soccer curriculum for young early learners, ages 1 to 4 and has the first dedicated blind soccer pitch in Miami
- Launched CVI Collaborative Research project "Cortical Visual Impairment Diagnostic Indicators and Educational Best Practices for Affected Children" with research promising to have local, national, and international impact

## MISSION STATEMENT

Through education, training, research and vision enhancement, Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired provides hope, confidence, and independence to people of all ages.

#### PARTICIPATE IN THE THE WILDFLOWER FOUNDATION MATCHING CHALLENGE

The Wildflower Foundation one-for-one Matching Challenge supports year-round music and tactile art programs at Miami Lighthouse providing social support for our visually impaired children and adults.

# HELP SUSTAIN OUR PROGRAMS WITH THE 95TH ANNIVERSARY MATCHING CHALLENGE

Join the "Matching Challenge Team" to raise \$4.75 million to generate a total \$9.5 million in recognition of our 95 years of transforming the lives of children and adults. Funding sustainability and growth for 95 years and beyond.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 305-856-4176

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